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## NEW YORK EGG PRODUCTION DOWN 5 PERCENT IN MARCH

Egg production on New York farms totaled 98 million eggs in March, down 5 percent from last year, according to Stephen Ropel, Director of USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service, New York Field Office.

The number of hens and pullets of laying age, at 3.94 million, decreased 5 percent from March 2009 and the rate of lay was 2,485 eggs per 100 layers, down slightly from last year.

U.S. egg production totaled 7.81 billion during March 2010, up 1 percent from last year. Production included 6.71 billion table eggs, and 1.10 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.03 billion were broiler-type and 76 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during March 2010 averaged 341 million, up slightly from last year. March egg production per 100 layers was 2,292 eggs, up 1 percent from March 2009.

U.S. egg-type chicks hatched during March 2010 totaled 45.2 million, up 8 percent from March 2009. Eggs in incubators totaled 42.9 million on April 1, 2010, up 14 percent from a year ago. The information in this release is available by free email subscription by subscribing to New York reports at [www.nass.usda.gov/ny](http://www.nass.usda.gov/ny).

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